

# **Workshop - Evaluation of the Governance of the Energy Union and Climate Action Regulation**

## **Event Programme**

*Venue: Room OD, Albert Borschette Congress Center, Rue Froissart 36, Brussels*

*11 January 2024*

14:00 - 14:15 (15 min)	<b>1. Welcome and political framing of the Governance review by DG ENER and DG CLIMA</b>  <i>DG ENER: Pierre Schellekens, Director</i>  <i>DG CLIMA: Yvon Slingenberg, Director</i>
14.15-14:40 (25 min)	<b>2. ICF presents main findings of the draft final evaluation report ICF</b>
14:40-14:45 (5 min)	<b>3. Chairs explain organisation of the rest of the workshop</b>  <i>DG ENER: Paula Abreu Marques, Head of Unit</i>  <i>DG CLIMA: Cécile Hanoune, Head of Unit</i>
14:45-15:25 (40 min)	<b>4. Three thematic sessions</b>  <i>Chaired by Paula Abreu Marques and Cécile Hanoune</i>  <u>1) Target achievement (40 min)</u> <i>To what extent has the Governance Regulation helped achieve the EU's energy and climate objectives along the five dimensions of the Energy Union?</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Kick-off: Two 3-minute interventions by selected stakeholders (TBD)</li><li>• Open floor with guiding questions:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Do the tools in the Governance Regulation (e.g. iterative National Energy and Climate (NECP) planning/reporting; Long-Term Strategies (LTSs); gap filling mechanism (Art. 31, 32) etc.) help achieve national or EU energy and climate objectives?</li><li>2. What are the main prerequisites for and barriers to the timely submission of NECPs/integrated progress reports and their completeness/quality?</li></ol></li></ul>
15:25-15:35 (10 min)	<b>BREAK</b>

<p>15:35-16:55 (80 min)</p>	<p><b><u>2) Integrated planning/streamlining (40 min)</u></b>  <i>The Governance Regulation integrated certain planning, reporting and monitoring obligations and resulted in the deletion of others. Has it streamlined Member State energy/climate planning and reporting practices and provided better data, information and certainty, including on investment needs?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kick-off: Two 3-minute interventions by selected stakeholders (TBD)</li> <li>• Open floor with guiding questions:</li> </ul> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Does the Governance Regulation strike the right balance between the need for granular information and a focus on essentials? Is the administrative burden proportional to the benefits from integrated planning/reporting?</li> <li>2. Has information included in NECPs on planned and needed investments informed investment decisions, including by private operators? Do the NECPs generally contain information relevant to investors and civil society?</li> </ol> <p><b><u>3) Cooperation/consultation (40 min)</u></b>  <i>To what extent has the Governance Regulation helped improve cooperation between Member States on energy and climate issues and led to better involvement of local/regional authorities and other stakeholders?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kick-off: Two 3-minute interventions by selected stakeholders (TBD)</li> <li>• Open floor with guiding questions:</li> </ul> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Does the Governance Regulation address and promote regional cooperation in an effective way? For instance, coverage of regional cooperation in the NECPs; required regional consultation (Article 12). Can you provide concrete examples?</li> <li>2. Does the Governance Regulation include sufficient provisions to ensure early and inclusive public participation in the planning and implementation of energy and climate policies, including at the local level? Are these provisions effectively implemented?</li> </ol>
<p>16:55-17:00 (5 min)</p>	<p><b>5. Conclusions and next steps</b>  <i>By Paula Abreu Marques and Cécile Hanoune</i></p>